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Figs. 2 and 3 are respectively top and rear isolated views of a [Band-Aid] BAND-AID adhesive bandage component of the display;

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A fashion trend currently in practice is to display low-cost objects, such as costume jewelry, in the specific form of rhinestones of glass construction material, individually and collectively designated 10, at select locations on the person 12, such as on her cheek, as noted at 14, and the heretofore unrelated practice of covering minor cuts with a [Band-Aid,] BAND-AID adhesive bandage generally designated 16, as defined in words or in substance in WEBSTER'S COLLEGE DICTIONARY, and as supplemented by what is known by common experience, as "an adhesive bandage with a gauze pad in the center, used to cover minor abrasions and cuts," having as a commercially available article of manufacture, a central gauze pad 18 with opposite direction left and right extending adhesive strips 20 and 22, wherein the gauze pad 18 has an array, generally designated 24, of plural edges bounding circular openings, individually and collectively designated 26, shown greatly simplified in the cross sectional view of Fig. 5, providing ventilation for a gauze pad-covered injury (not shown). The present invention combines the two noted practices, using to advantage the availability of a [Band-Aid] BAND-AID adhesive bandage 16 to achieve the rhinestone display 10 at the exemplary cheek location 14, as well as at other selected locations on the person 12, as will be better understood as the description proceeds.

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For its medical or first aid end use, the central gauze pad 18 has release strips 28 and 30 in overlapping relation, as at 32, beneath the gauze pad 18, each of which is connected to extend from the gauze pad 18 in contact against the adhesive surfaces of the adhesive strips 20 and 22 to thusly neutralize or obviate an adhesive function of the adhesive strips 20, 22 until the [Band-Aid] BAND-AID adhesive bandage 16 is put to use. While the release strips 28 and 30 are in place, the [Band-Aid] BAND-AID adhesive bandage 16 is readily handled without difficulty, and the handling contemplates the deposit of a viscous, not yet cured, appropriate adhesive 34, such as an adhesive commercially available from East Coast Labs of Greensboro, NC, on a top surface covering 36 of the gauze pad 18, from which deposit there is flow in depending relation within the venting openings 26 effective to contribute to gripping engagement of the adhesive deposit 34 to the top or display surface 36.

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Before the adhesive cures, i.e., while still in its viscous condition, the rhinestones 10, in a selected display, are placed, either manually or by machine, in adhesive contact with the adhesive 34, resulting in the ultimate adhesive securement of the jewelry display 10 on the [Band-Aid] BAND-AID adhesive bandage 16.

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To maximize the display value of the [Band-Aid] BAND-AID adhesive bandage applied jewelry display 10, use is made of adhesive strips 20 and 22 having clear plastic construction material providing unobstructed visibility therethrough of the skin of the user 12 at the selected site of attachment of the [Band-Aid] BAND-AID adhesive bandage 16, an aspect noted by the phantom perspective illustration of the strips 20, 22 in Fig. 1, which to a viewer sees the jewelry display 10 in isolated relation apart from the [Band-Aid] BAND-AID adhesive bandage 16. By eschewing the current practice of manually placing, in sequence, an adhesive deposit at a site of attachment and an arranged rhinestone or like display objects in the adhesive deposit, and allotting an appropriate time interval for the curing of the adhesive, the providing of a jewelry display worn on the person is correlated to the placement of a jewelry-adorned [Band-Aid] BAND-AID adhesive bandage.

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While the [Band-Aid] BAND-AID adhesive bandage applied jewelry display herein shown and disclosed in detail is fully capable of attaining the objects and providing the advantages hereinbefore stated, it is to be understood that it is merely illustrative of the presently preferred embodiment of the invention and that no limitations are intended to the detail of construction or design herein shown other than as defined in the appended claims.